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DURING the last decade we have seen in Hongkong a steady and substantial reduction in the number of cases of malaria annually recorded by the Medical Department. As everyone is aware, Hongkong from the beginning of its history as a British possession has had an unenviable reputation in this respect. In the early days the troops of the garrison were killed off like flies by malaria, and down to the present day the troops appear to be greater sufferers from the disease than the civilians, though they have shared in the general improvement. We see it officially recorded, for instance, that the malarial cases admitted to the military hospitals last year totalled 268, giving a ratio of 59 per thousand of the Garrison, against 515 in 1908 (115 per thousand). We recollect that last year the Principal Medical Officer of the Garrison (at that time Colonel Bedford) made the very surprising statement in a public speech that the hospital admission rate for malarial diseases amongst the troops serving in Hongkong was then still greater than that in India or in any other Colony in which British soldiers have to serve with the exception of the West Coast of Africa, which is notoriously bad station. Since it was established, after prolonged research, that the anopholes mosquito is the infecting agent, the Colonial Government has conducted a systematic warfare against the insect. For the past ten or twelve years it has been spending annually about \$20,000

a year on ridding the hills of the breeding places of the mosquito, by training nullahs; the Medical Department has made frequent appeals to the public to support these efforts by getting rid of stagnant pools in the vicinity of their dwellings, or by covering the water with a layer of kerosine, and in recent years the subject has been taught to some extent in the schools. Much has been done, but much still remains to be accomplished, and while no one can charge the Government with having neglected its obvious duty in this connection, we must all feel indebted both to Colonel Bedford, and to Lieut-Colonel Sir Joseph Fayrer, his successor in the post of Principal Medical Officer of the Garrison, for giving as they have done a needed stimulus to the crusade. Once it is admitted that malaria is a preventable disease there ought to be constant and unremitting effort to eradicate the cause. The Sanitary Board has been well advised to cause a pamphlet of simple instructions on the subject to be distributed. It ought to do much good. The whole question, as Lieut-Colonel Fayrer says, is one of education. There are still many laymen who doubt whether the entire blame for malaria epidemics is to be charged to the anopholes mosquito; and who harbour a belief that the prevalence of malaria is not unconnected with the breaking of soil. We have, for example, heard the prevalence of malaria at West Point during the past twelve months attributed to the breaking of the ground of the University site; we have also heard it suggested that the cases at the military hospital may not be altogether unconnected with the preparation of building sites in the vicinity; the theory being that the breaking of new soil in a tropical country gives off a malarial miasma. Such a theory now-a-days obtains no support from the medical experts, but in a pamphlet intended for popular instruction it may not be altogether superfluous to explain how it is that the vicinity of freshly-broken ground not infrequently becomes a hot-bed of malarial disease. The large number of cases on the railway works is another case in point. Of course, it may be that the breaking of the soil simply routes out the mosquitoes from their breeding places, but we do not know whether this has been established by the medical researches on the subject. If so, it is a point which might usefully be included in the pamphlet it is now proposed to circulate. Money will be well spent on the wide distribution of a pamphlet which will bring home to the individual his personal responsibility in this matter of eradicating preventable disease, and though we may never hope to see the Colony entirely free of malaria—since a very large number of cases originate in Chinese territory—the heavy decline in the returns during the past ten years, consequent on measures taken by Government to exterminate the mosquito, plainly indicate how much more can be achieved if only the individual can be got to recognise his responsibility and to give his assistance.

The Bishop of Victoria will preach at St. Andrew's, Kowloon, on Sunday evening next. Mr. and Mrs. Max Miller, and Lord and Lady French left Peking a week ago for Paitaiho.

The violinist Miss Marie Halle sailed for South Africa recently. Starting a world's tour from there she travels to India, China and Japan.

A fisherman from Aberdeen, who was found in possession of a quantity of dynamite without permit, was fined \$50 by Mr. E. R. Hallifax at the Magistracy yesterday.

Householders will be interested to learn that Weissmann, Limited, are putting on the local market coffee roasted and ground on their premises. The coffee is of excellent quality.

A Chinese woman who was arrested at 7, Swatow Lane for selling opium was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday and ordered to pay a fine of \$50.

The Directors of the Siam Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., recommend a dividend of 5 per cent. for the last half-year and to add Ticals 10,000 to the Reserve Fund, after the usual 5 per cent. depreciation on the steamers.

A case in the Supreme Court yesterday raised the point as to whether the Governor-in-Council has "the arbitrary powers of an irresponsible dictator," as one of the Counsel put it.

The Lord Bishop of Labuan and Sarawak is now staying in Hongkong. He will preach at St. John's Cathedral on Sunday morning next at 11 o'clock, and at St. Peter's Seamen's Church at 6.30 p.m.

The late Commander Stewart Carmac Welgall, R.N. (retired), of Riverbank, Ham, Surrey, who was formerly engaged in the China Surveying Service, left estate which has been valued for probate purposes at £10,967.

Dr. Irvin W. Kew, of the firm of Dr. Kew Bros., left here last week for Shanghai to relieve Dr. Chadwick Kew, who returns to the Colony by the Empress of China to-day.

The August Criminal Sessions open to-day. The calendar embraces four charges of kidnapping, one of forgery of bank notes, one of cutting and wounding, one of armed robbery, and one of larceny.

A couple of weeks ago a number of Panti and Hakka shoemakers quarrelled regarding the custom of a certain steamer. The quarrel was renewed on Tuesday evening when two Pantis visited a house in Second Street and there brought about a fight with two Hakkas, one of whom was a visitor from Shantivan. The Pantis attacked the Hakkas with hammers and bamboo, and the visitor's head was badly damaged, while his leg was broken. Evidence in the case was heard before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday, and his Worship reserved his decision until Friday.

TRIBUTE TO A MACAO HERO.

Thirty years have elapsed since Colonel Mesquita died in Macao. No "storied vim or animated bust" has marked his resting place; his grave in fact has been neglected. On the initiative of one of his colleagues, Lieut.-Col. J. L. Marques, a public and patriotic subscription was raised for the erection of a suitable mausoleum to the memory of one who in 1849 saved the Colony of Macao from an invasion by the Chinese troops. With only 32 braves under his command he routed the enemy and took possession of the Chinese fort at Passalado. Colonel Mesquita was born in Macao, and so were the 32 braves who marched out with him on the 25th August, 1849.

His remains have been exhumed and transferred to the Military Hospital "S. Januário," and a new and special grave will be ready on the 23rd inst., when the funeral cortege will leave the hospital about 5.30 p.m. with full military honours.

On the 25th inst., a solemn requiem service will be held at the St. Cathedral, His Lordship the Bishop of Macao assisting in his pontifical robes. His Excellency Governor Marques and all the civil military and naval officials will be present, as well as the inhabitants of Macao and representatives of the Portuguese communities of Hongkong, Canton and Shanghai, the latter with a squad of Volunteers from the Portuguese Section, commanded by Capt. Nolasco da Silva. The Very Rev. Fr. Costa Nunes, Vicar General of Macao, will deliver the funeral oration.

In the evening a solemn session will take place at the hall of the "Gremio Militar," when the ceremonies of unveiling the portraits of the late Governor Amaral and Colonel Mesquita will be performed in the presence of H. E. the Governor, the Right Rev. Bishop of Macao and all public officials and civilians.

We understand that on the 29th inst., when the cortege reaches the cemetery, Lieut.-Col. Marques, Dr. Samuel of the Patria and Mr. A. Basto, the advocate, will deliver speeches before the remains of the deceased Colonel are lowered into the grave.

SEQUEL TO A FIRE.

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Lui Lai Kong and Lu Kwai were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday with setting fire to the Cheong Wo shop of 128, Shanghai Street, Yau-mat, with intent to defraud an insurance company of \$5,500.

Mr. W. E. L. Shenton (of Messrs. Daeson, Looker & Daeson) prosecuted, and defendants were represented by Mr. P. Sydenham Dixon (of Mr. E. A. Harding's office). Messrs. W. Meyerink & Co., agents of the Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Co., were represented as being interested in the case.

Mr. F. Browne, Government Analyst, was the first witness. He spoke of receiving a number of samples of cloth from Sergeant Appleton for analysis. On examining these he found kerosene; on some large quantities, on others a lesser amount.

In reply to Mr. Shenton, witness stated that kerosene evaporated with time. Mr. H. A. Lammer, auctioneer, deposed to making an estimate of the value of the shop. The furniture and fittings were worth about \$250, and the stock from \$300 to \$350. He made no estimate of clothing belonging to the foks, because he was not asked. From the general appearance of the shop it appeared to have been a quick fire. He considered the stocking looked small, and the rolls of the stuff which were charred were all part used. He did not find any silk.

Sergeant Appleton stated that at 2.25 a.m. on the 8th he proceeded to 2, Shanghai Street in consequence of an alarm of fire. He found the whole of the ground floor in flames and the woodwork of the two adjoining houses burning. Before leaving the shop he shifted a tin of kerosene from the rear counter. On returning later he found a list of goods (enumerated), including a purse containing a Chinese agreement of transfer from the late owner to the first defendant a broken tin can on the floor smelt of kerosene, while a heap of shavings was found near a bed. Under the rear counter he found what appeared to be an account book, with a heap of shavings underneath. The standing lamp was found lying on a settee on its side, and the chimney, which was lying alongside, was cracked, but not broken. A number of the rolls of cloth found by witness smelt strongly of kerosene, as did the floor near the rear counter. The first defendant spoke to witness about the lamp before he was arrested.

In cross-examination witness said the fire was burning fiercely when he arrived on the scene. He thought he saw the first defendant later on the same day. The case was adjourned.

TELEGRAMS.

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THE FLOODS IN JAPAN.

DISQUIETING NEWS.

Tokyo, August 16th.

Dysentery and typhoid have already appeared in the flood-stricken districts.

Intermittent rains maintain the depth of the waters and the conditions are unimproved.

The situation at Karuzawa is a very exciting one. Foreigners are co-operating with the police to keep back the waters. The colony is isolated.

Enormous damage has been done to sericulture by the floods.

GREAT SENSATION AT PEKING.

DISMISSAL OF GRAND COUNCILLORS.

PEKING, August 17th.

An Imperial Edict published to-day has caused an immense sensation.

The Edict dismisses Grand Councillors Shih Hsu and Wu Yu-sheng, and appoints in their place Prince Yu-lang and Hsu Shih-chang, who has been relieved of the Yuchuanpu.

Tang Shao-yi succeeds Hsu Shih-chang substantially in the post of President of the Board of Communications.

The changes are considered to show the Regent's resolve to restore more effective government.

The general impression alike among foreigners and Chinese is decidedly favourable.

LATER.

Sheng Kun Pao has resumed the Vice-Presidency of the Yuchuanpu (Board of Communications) and will be attached the Tuchipu (Board of Finance) in order to assist in the reform of the currency.

CHANGSHA INDEMNITY PAYMENT.

PEKING, August 17th.

The Hunanese have paid the Japanese an indemnity of tael 110,000 for damage to their property during the Changsha riots.

[REUTERS'S SERVICE TO THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

ANGLO-GERMAN ENDOWMENT SCHEME.

LONDON, August 16th.

From Berlin it is announced that Sir Ernest Cassel has given £200,000 in remembrance of King Edward and as a mark of respect to the Kaiser in order to endow a scheme to aid indigent Germans in England and indigent Britishers in Germany. He hopes thereby to improve Anglo-German relations.

The trustees will be Their Britannic and German Majesties.

PRESIDENT OF CHILE DIES AT BREMEN.

LONDON, August 17th.

The President of Chile, Pedro Montt, has died suddenly at Bremen from heart failure.

AMERICAN POLITICS.

LONDON, August 17th.

A New York telegram states that the Republican State Committee has unanimously appointed Mr. Sherman, temporary Chairman of the State Convention to be held at Saratoga on the 27th September.

A motion to appoint Mr. Roosevelt was rejected.

THE HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVE ASSOCIATION.

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Sir Henry May) presided at an extraordinary general meeting of members of the Volunteer Reserve Association held in the City Hall last night. There were present Mr. G. H. Wakeman (Vice Chairman), Mr. A. Jenkins (Hon. Secretary) and upwards of thirty members.

HIS EXCELLENCY said:—Gentlemen,—We have met to consider the question of the re-organisation of our Association which has been put forward with the unanimous approval of your committee. You will remember that this Association was formed towards the close of the year 1904 by Sir Matthew Nathan, who took a very keen interest in Volunteering in all its forms. Now, the primary object was to increase the defence force of the Colony. I want you to bear that in mind. Sir Matthew Nathan was at the time new to Hongkong and very enthusiastic, and he imagined that in the course of time all the young men in the Colony would serve in the Volunteer force, and that the reserve which he wished to create would therefore increase all the time and become a real reserve of men who had already been trained in the Volunteer force. Pondering that happy result, he conceived the idea of forming this Association in order that the men who had already served in the Volunteer forces or in the regular army might have an opportunity of keeping up the most important point of their training, that is, their rifle shooting. And he also hoped to get hold of a number of men too old to join the Volunteers, and to get them to learn to shoot and thereby prove themselves efficient members of the Association. His first ideal has not been attained. His second object has been attained to a very considerable extent. This Association has served the very useful purpose of bringing together a large number of men who have already been trained either as Volunteers or as soldiers of His Majesty's army. It has also been the means of training to rifle shooting a large number of men who never handled a rifle before, and some of whom, curiously enough, have turned out the best shots in the whole show. (Laughter.) But, gentlemen, you will see that his primary object is not being attained—that is, to increase the defence force of the Colony—because the military authorities, as you will readily understand, cannot accept the members of an Association who are in no way trained to arms. Men must know a little drill, at any rate sufficient to enable them to be moved from one spot to another. This defect Sir Frederick Lugard, who is also very keenly interested in volunteering, was at his instigation a notice was sent out asking members of the Association whether they would consent to undergo a small amount of drill. No response was received to those notices. Well, gentlemen, there is no blinking the fact that attendance at the range has fallen off enormously. In the first year of the life of this Association the attendance was so great that one had to wait a long time before one could get a shot at all. In the year before last out of 230 members during the year in the Colony 127 never shot at all, and last year out of 193 members 83 never shot at all. This is not satisfactory, and, in addition, I would once more remind you that the primary object with which we were instituted, namely, to increase the defence force of the Colony, is not realised, because the Association can find no place in the defence team of the Colony. Now, gentlemen, your committee, after reviewing the situation as I have briefly reviewed it, have come to the conclusion that it is in the best interests of the Association to wind it up on its present basis, and to ask the Government to pass an Ordinance such as exists in other Colonies providing for a Volunteer Reserve force. The draft of that Ordinance has been circulated to you, and all it amounts to is this: that under the law the members of the Association would enrol themselves, take an oath to place themselves under military law if the occasion should arise, and make themselves efficient in musketry by going through the same course that the Hongkong Volunteers shoot every year, which is also the same course as the Territorial force shoots at home. The course, I may tell you, is a mere bagatelle for members of the Reserve Association who attend the range. None of you who shoot would have the slightest difficulty in passing that test. There is no provision in that little draft Ordinance for any drill, but your committee strongly recommend you to ask that provision be added to the Bill requiring of members nothing more than a knowledge of squad drill—that is, enough drill to enable a body of men to be moved from one place to another. That drill is so simple that any intelligent man can learn it in a few hours. If the members agree to this re-organisation your committee suggest that the drill may be conducted on the range after our practices: it would not take more than a very few minutes. Now, that is what would be required of you under the Ordinance, and in return you would get the use of a rifle per man, which we do not get at present, and which would be a very great boon. (Applause.) You would also get a certain amount of free ammunition for firing the annual musketry course for those who qualified; you would also get ammunition on as favourable terms as the Volunteers; and you would also ensure the continuance of the continuance of that rifle range to you as long as you are not recognised as an item in the defence of the Colony. You all know that range is a popular one, and you all know that there are many units, including the Volunteers and outside the Volunteers, who would like to get that range taken away from you. Above all, gentlemen, as I have said in the little circular which I sent

to the committee, the members of the Association will have the satisfaction—and I believe that I voice the sentiments of those who are present when I say—the intense satisfaction of feeling that they were really honoured with a place in the defence scheme of the Colony. (Applause.) I believe myself if this scheme goes through we will get a body of men, not so numerous as the present members of the Association, but a body of men who will do great credit to the Association and to the Colony, and who will be cordially welcomed by the military authorities. (Applause.) We have got amongst our members about 80 per cent. of old Volunteer soldiers—80 per cent. gentlemen!—and we can make up the balance with a lot of sharpshooters who, when they have learned the little modicum of drill the military authorities require, will be very dangerous enemies for anybody to meet if they should think fit to attack this Colony. Now, gentlemen, I do not think I can usefully add anything else. I can only say that I believe this scheme would be cordially approved by Sir Frederick Lugard if he was in the Colony, and I feel hardly add that I myself would be very pleased indeed to have a small lot in this re-organisation, which I really think is to the benefit of an Association which I personally have taken a very great interest in since its initiation. (Applause.)

THE CHAIRMAN then asked members if there were any questions they would like to ask.

There were none.

THE CHAIRMAN—There being no questions, gentlemen, I will put from the chair a resolution which I have drawn up, and which perhaps will cover the ground we want to cover. I would just say before I move it that your committee thought that in approaching the Government they might ask for an annual grant to pay the secretary, or at any rate to defray the salary of some assistant to the secretary. You will remember that we once had a grant and we lost it. The work of the secretaryship is very heavy, and I think you will agree with me that it would be a great advantage if he could have some clerical assistance or, in the alternative, if he could be paid himself for his work. The resolution is as follows:—

"That the Hongkong Volunteer Reserve Association inform the Government that it desires a Volunteer Reserve Ordinance on the lines of the draft Ordinance attached hereto to be communicated with the addition of the inclusion of a provision for a knowledge of squad drill on the part of the members and on the understanding that the Government will make a grant towards the salary of a paid secretary of £250 per annum if the number of efficient members of the Reserve average 50 throughout the year, and of a total payment of \$500 per annum if such number averages a hundred or more throughout the year."

Captain BRANCH seconded the proposition, which was unanimously carried.

HIS EXCELLENCY—The Secretary will send this resolution in to the Government, and the result will be communicated in due course. Meanwhile, of course, the Association goes on. It is not wound up until the Ordinance is passed and other arrangements made. Thank you very much, gentlemen, for your attendance. I believe we have done a good afternoon's work.

Captain BRANCH proposed a vote of thanks to His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government for the interest he had taken in the Association, and hoped that his efforts would meet with every success.

The vote was carried by acclamation, and His Excellency's brief return of thanks ended the business.

DEATH OF A FRENCH NAVAL OFFICER.

Our Canton Correspondent writes:—Telegraphic news has just reached here from Wuchow to the effect that the commander of the French river gunboat *Argus* has committed suicide. It appears that this terrible occurrence is the result of a sunstroke which the unfortunate officer received some few days ago. The deceased was a married man with a family.

RICE AND BERRI-BERRI.

The Rev. Dr. Foster, who is in Bangkok at present on one of his periodical visits from Swatow, adds his experience to the body of evidence establishing the connection between berri-berri and the consumption of highly polished rice. About three months ago there was an outbreak of berri-berri in the High School at Swatow, and in a very short time half the school was down with the disease. It was feared the school would have to be closed. But very shortly before, the Head had read an article in a Hongkong paper on rice and berri-berri, the first he had seen on the subject. He put the whole school on No. 2 rice, and in a fortnight the disease was eradicated.

That of course is much the ordinary experience, but Dr. Foster goes a little further. He was not in Swatow at the time, but on his return he also used the No. 2 rice. He found it distinctly more nourishing than white polished rice, and less of it is required to satisfy hunger. He describes the difference between No. 1 and No. 2 rice, as these terms are understood in Swatow, as very much the difference between potatoes that have been pared before being cooked, and potatoes boiled in their jackets. The No. 2 rice, it should be added, requires more mastication—*Phloetism*, as they term it in America. Millers, however, Dr. Foster thinks, might try to make it more attractive in appearance. The question of retaining the most nourishing part of the rice grain, he thinks, will become one of importance in the West as well as in the East. In America, at least, owing to the high cost of living and the meat boycott, the consumption of rice has gone up very greatly, and it seems likely to become an increasingly important article of diet. The whole matter deserves the serious consideration of millers. —Bangkok Times.

The cruiser *Moba* has been sold to the Canadian Government for £215,000.

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1910. [1]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 20th day of August, 1910, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 30th June, 1910.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 8th August to SATURDAY, the 20th August, 1910 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered. By Order of the Board of Directors,
N. J. STABE,
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1910. [897]

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 12th August, 1910. [356]

HONGKONG - SHANGHAI INTERPORT SWIMMING GALA AT SHANGHAI.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2 AND 3, 1910.

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LEUNG KIN ON,
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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTA- TIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$950, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	27	26	\$76, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$8, sellers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$9, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$1, sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$1	\$1	\$1.40, buyers
CORPORATIONS.				
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 110.
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$5, sales
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 574.
Laou-Kung-Mow C. Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 70.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 240.
DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$19, buyers
DOCK AND WHARVES.				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$534, sales
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$50, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	55,700	\$64	\$64	\$9, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 76.
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 116.
KEARWICK & CO., LIMITED.	16,000	\$25	\$25	\$24, sellers
GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LIMITED.	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, sal. & sel.
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$205.
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	\$50	\$50	\$104, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	\$25	\$25	\$32, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$135, buyers
INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$167, sellers
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$111, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$35.35	\$25	\$374.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$350, sellers
North-China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	Tls. 115, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,000	\$250	\$100	\$340, sellers
Yongkong Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$50	\$200, sales
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$93, buyers
Hampshire Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$33, sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$30	\$32, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 112.
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$39, buyers
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	\$720, buyers
Bath Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	\$1	\$74.
Peak Tramway Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$14, sellers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$14, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	75,000	\$10	\$10	\$10, sellers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$167.
Union Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$26, sellers
Robinson Pines Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$10, sales
Donghai Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$27, sellers
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.B. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$113, buy & div.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$5	all	\$60, sal. & div.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,300,000	\$1	\$1	\$90, sellers
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$24, sellers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$25	\$132, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	\$24, sellers
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Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$10.
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$2, sellers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$3.
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$63, sellers
Weismann, Limited	3,000	\$10	\$10	\$12, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 ordy.	\$10	\$4	\$111, sellers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	\$10	\$500.
RUBBERS.				
Allagars	—	—	—	6/.
Anglo-Malay	—	—	—	26/.
Balgowries	—	—	—	\$16 (Sta.)
Batu Tiges	—	—	—	110/.
Bukit Kajangs	—	—	—	63/6
Castelfields, fully paid	—	—	—	120/.
Cheviote	—	—	—	—
Eastern and International	—	—	—	25/- prem.
Highlands and Lowlands	—	—	—	122/6
Kamunings	—	—	—	7/3 prem.
Kuala Lumpur	—	—	—	—
Labus	—	—	—	—
Ledbury's	—	—	—	86/.
Linggis	—	—	—	57/.
London Asiatics	—	—	—	14/.
London Ventures	—	—	—	6/9
Merlemaus	—	—	—	8/.
Pogohs	—	—	—	80/ (Sta.)
Sandycrofts	—	—	—	332 (Sta.)
Sapongas	—	—	—	28/.
Shelfolds	—	—	—	74/.
Singapore and Johores	—	—	—	\$17 (Sta.)
Sunston Farms	—	—	—	14/6
Sungai-Kapang	—	—	—	—
United Serdangs	—	—	—	125/.

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Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/9 1/2
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Documentary Bills 4 months' sight	1/10
ON PARIS:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	226
Credits, at 4 months' sight	230
ON GERMANY:—	
On demand	165
ON NEW YORK:—	
Bank Bills, on demand	43 1/2
Credits, at 60 days' sight	44 1/2
ON BOMBAY:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank, on demand	134
ON CALCUTTA:—	
Telegraphic Transfer	134
Bank, on demand	134
ON SHANGHAI:—	
Bank, at sight	74 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	75 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA:—	
On demand—Pesos	87 1/2
ON SINGAPORE:—	
On demand	76 1/2
ON BATAVIA:—	
On demand	107 1/2
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On demand	2 1/2
ON SAIGON:—	
On demand	86 1/2
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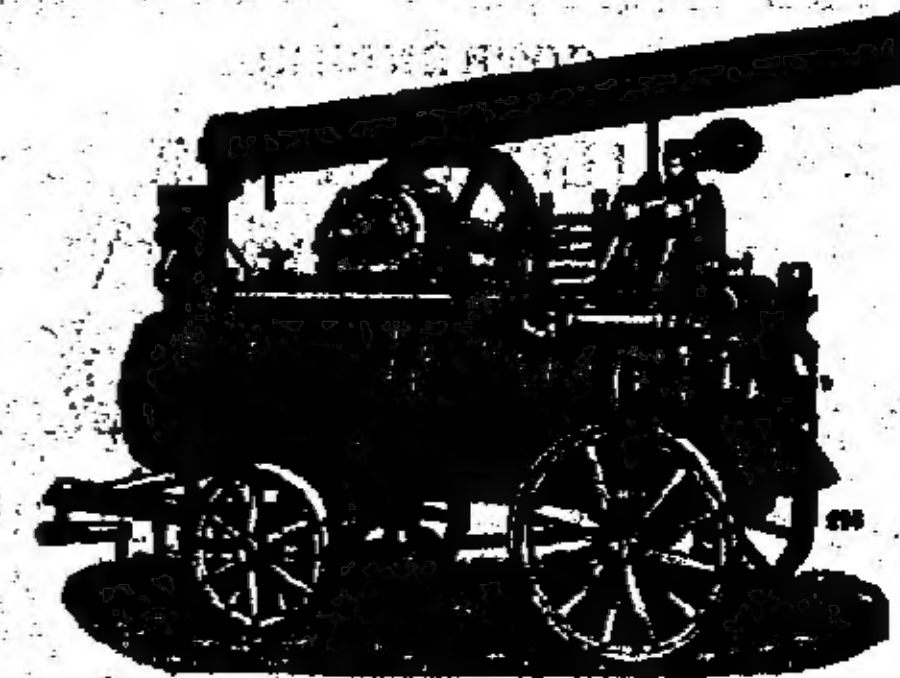
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Patna Old	\$1,680
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Bombay Old	\$1,670

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